भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान Wildlife Institute of India

Dr. V.B. Mathur
Director & Appellate Authority

Date: 5th August 2014

To

Shri Projjal Sen, 18/18, Dover Lane, Kolkota – 700 029

Sub:

Application under RTI Act - 2005

Ref:

Your RTI appeal dated 5th March 2014

Sir,

As per Institute's records, your appeal referred above was not found to be received in this office. However, the same has been received on 22.7.2014 from Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change (Wildlife Division) vide letter No. F. No. 25-1/2004-WL dated 15th July 2014.

Please find attached herewith the information as sought in the appeal.

Yours faithfully,

(V. B. Mathur)

Encl: As stated

Copy forwarded to:

Shri M.L. Sharma,
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With reference to your above-cited letter.

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Comments

Ref: DIG (WI.) letter no. (25-1/2004-WL dated 15-07-2014

The 'Indian National Studbook of Bengal Tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) (2011)' has been compiled with the objective of assisting in conservation breeding in Indian Zoos and provides analysis and pairing recommendations of known lineage animals only, (Reference is invited to Scope of the studbook, page 4). Animals of unknown/ White lineage have been excluded from analysis and are placed as Annexure III, 'Historical listing of Bengal tiger with unknown/ white gene in Indian zoos' pp 201 – 265.

SI. No. 3 & 4:

The 'National Studbook for the Bengal tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) (2003) prepared by Chellam R. and Choudhary B. C formed the basis while developing the 'Indian National Studbook of Bengal tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) (2011)'. The studbooks mentioned in the RTI application (Roy Choudhary, A.K. (1989) Studbook of white tiger of India published by Bose Institute, Calcutta and Central Zoo Authority (1999) National Pedigree Book of Bengal tiger, Central Zoo Authority) have been referred in the 'National Studbook for the Bengal tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) (2003) prepared by Chellam R. and Choudhary B. C. Copy of relevant page attached.

SI. No. 5, 7, 9 & 10:

The facts mentioned in the RTI application have been verified and will be incorporated in the forthcoming update of the studbook.

SI. No. 6, 8, 11, 12 & 19:

Data collection for the preparation of the 'Indian National Studbook of Bengal Tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) (2011)' has been facilitated through:

- a) Mailed questionnaires
- b) Records maintained by ZIMS ISIS (Zoological Information Management System) and inventory hosted on the Central Zoo Authority's website.
- c) Field visits to zoos.

Based on the data received by above methods the information as brought out in the RTI application were not received from any zoo. Therefore these information's, not being verifiable has not been included in the 'Indian National Studbook of Bengal Tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) (2011)'

SI. No. 18:

Rani was a white tigress and is included on page no. 201 as National Studbook No. 00010 in Annexure III Historical listing of Bengal tiger unknown lineage/ white gene in Indian zoos.

SI. No. 20:

The information is based on record maintained at Sakkarbag Zoo, Junagadh. The animal has been placed in Annexure III 'Historical listing of Bengal tiger with unknown/ white gene in Indian zoos' page no. 201 - 265 and excluded from analysis. The analysis for the studbook has been restricted to animals of known lineage only.

SB SI. Nos. 1 to 6 (Page 201)

Animals of known lineage that have been paired with animals of unknown/ white lineage are indicated by an asterisk in the respective sire/ dam columns of the table and are different. This has been done to segregate animals of known and white/ unknown lineage in the studbook and is based on records received from holding zoos.

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National Studbook for the Indian Tiger (Panthera tigris tigris)

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